

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A disk-type optical recording medium is disclosed that has a visible pattern in its read-only area. The 5 visible pattern is produced making use of change in reflectance of the disk, which is caused by change in product $W \cdot L$ of a width (W) and a length (L) of an nT pit formed in the read-only area, where n denotes a natural number, and T denotes clock time.